

Remarks

As requested, Applicant hereby submits substitute drawing sheets for Figures 3, 4, 5 and 6. As noted by the Examiner, no new matter has been added by these drawing corrections.

In addition, the Applicant has cancelled Claims 1, 8, 9, 10, 14-17. Claim 4 has been amended to depend from previously allowed Claim 19. New Claims 22-26 have been added dependent on previously allowed Claim 20.

Thus, it is believed that the case is now in condition for allowance.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees (or credit any overpayment) associated with this communication and which may be required under 37 CFR §1.78 to Deposit Account No. 50-2603, referencing Attorney Docket No. 359999.00700.

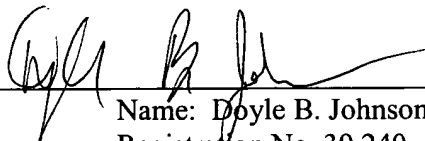
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Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: May 10, 2005

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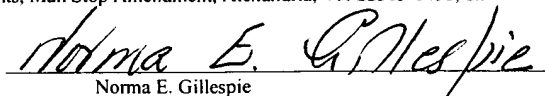
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